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Dear Mr. Snow:

I am concerned about the management and use of water in California. I urge you to use all new available technology to help solve the issues of municipal water needs, agricultural needs, wildlife needs, and recreational needs.

It is critical that you focus on maximizing water efficiency and conservation without sacrificing wildlife habitat. Central Valley agriculture needs to use better irrigation methods - required and regulated.

Cities need to practice conservation, starting with metering and education of the population. Over a certain basic level, require people to pay for wasting water.

Removing barrier dams will help to restore some habitat for spawning salmon and

Steelhead. Renovation of riparian areas is also critical.

Please do not build new dams, or raise the levels of existing dams. We know enough now about the negative and long term effects of dams!

Thank you for your consideration & time. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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